

13 KAR 3:010. GED® Testing Program.

RELATES TO: KRS 164.0064(1)(a)

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 164.0064(1)(a), 164.0234

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 164.0234(1) requires the Kentucky Adult Education Program to promulgate necessary administrative regulations and administer a statewide adult education and literacy system. KRS 164.0064 requires that a high school equivalency diploma be issued upon passage of the test given by the Kentucky Adult Education Program's approved testing centers in conformance with requirements of the GED® Testing Service and authorizes Kentucky Adult Education to establish fees for the issuance of a duplicate high school equivalency diploma and for issuance of a duplicate transcript. This administrative regulation establishes the procedure for testing an adult for the GED® diploma.

Section 1. Test Purpose. The GED® test shall provide a valid means of measuring the educational achievement of an adult who is a nonhigh school graduate and of comparing the adult's competency to that of high school graduates. The test shall cover:

- (1) Writing;
- (2) Social studies;
- (3) Science;
- (4) Reading; and
- (5) Mathematics.

Section 2. Test Centers. Official GED® testing centers shall be established under agreement with the GED® Testing Service. Kentucky Adult Education shall authorize the location of these centers so that they provide applicants with sufficient access and are able to meet the expected testing volume.

Section 3. Test Scores. In order for an applicant to be issued a Commonwealth of Kentucky High School Equivalency Diploma and an official GED® transcript, an applicant shall achieve the minimum passing standard on the Official GED® test as set by GED® Testing Service.

Section 4. Commonwealth of Kentucky High School Equivalency Diploma. Kentucky Adult Education shall provide a high school equivalency diploma to an applicant who meets all the provisions of this administrative regulation and the eligibility requirements established by 13 KAR 3:050.

Section 5. Test Fees. (1) The GED® test shall be offered at official GED® testing centers at a fee set and collected by GED® Testing Service.

(2) A request for a duplicate transcript or diploma from Kentucky Adult Education shall:

- (a) Be in writing;
- (b) Carry the signature, birth date, and Social Security number of the test-taker; and
- (c) Be accompanied by the payment of:

1. A ten (10) dollar processing fee assessed for the issuance of a duplicate transcript request;

or

2. A twenty-five (25) dollar fee assessed for the issuance of a duplicate diploma. (22 Ky.R. 639; eff. 11-2-95; 23 Ky.R. 1679; 2480; eff. 12-5-96; 24 Ky.R. 407; 894; eff. 10-2-97; 25 Ky.R. 2673; 26 Ky.R. 62; eff. 7-14-99; 28 Ky.R. 1214; 1636; eff. 1-14-2002; 31 Ky.R. 614; 934; eff. 11-8-04; 35 Ky.R. 1285; 2431; eff. 6-5-09; Recodified from 785 KAR 1:010; eff. 9-13-2013; 40 Ky.R. 879; 1248; eff. 1-3-2014.)